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TAGS: ENRG, FR

SUBJECT: MESSAGE FOR SAUVAGNARGUES

1. PLEASE TRANSMIT IMMEDIATELY THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO  
FOREIGN MINISTER SAUVAGNARGUES: QUOTE

DEAR JEAN:

THANK YOU FOR YOUR LETTER OF AUGUST 14, 1975, SUGGESTING  
ADDITIONAL CHANGES TO BE MADE IN THE CONSENSUS PROPOSAL  
CONTAINED IN YOUR LETTER OF AUGUST 7.

I RECOGNIZE THE DIFFICULTY YOU FACE IN PREPARING LANGUAGE  
THAT WILL HAVE THE FULL SUPPORT OF ALL THOSE WHO SEEK WITH  
US TO RECONVENE THE PREPCON. ALTHOUGH THERE ARE A NUMBER  
OF CHANGES THAT I WOULD PREFER TO SEE IN YOUR FINAL  
CONSENSUS PROPOSAL, I FEEL THAT A SPIRIT OF COMPROMISE IS  
NECESSARY IN ORDER FOR US TO MOVE FORWARD TOGETHER.

I AM THEREFORE PREPARED TO ACCEPT THE CHANGES YOU PROPOSE

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EXCEPT FOR THE FOLLOWING THREE POINTS ON WHICH WE MUST

REMAIN FIRM:

A) THAT YOU SPECIFICALLY STATE THAT THE SIZE OF THE COMMISSIONS BE LIMITED TO 15 MEMBERS. (I FEEL THAT TO LEAVE THIS QUESTION OPEN CAN ONLY INVITE DIVISIVE DEBATE THAT WILL INHIBIT THE CONDUCT OF MEANINGFUL BUSINESS.)

B) THAT YOU REVISE POINT 4 OF YOUR LETTER TO ELIMINATE REFERENCE TO "AN OUTSIDE PERIOD" OF ABOUT 12 MONTHS, AND SIMPLY SAY THAT THE CONFERENCE WILL BE RECONVENED AT MINISTERIAL LEVEL "IN ABOUT 12 MONTHS."

C) THAT YOUR FORMULATION FOR OBSERVER ORGANIZATIONS REFER SPECIFICALLY TO IEA OF OECD AS ELIGIBLE FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE ENERGY COMMISSION. ALTERNATIVELY WE COULD AGREE TO DELETION OF THE SECOND PARAGRAPH WHICH REFERS ONLY TO OPEC AND OECD WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT THIS ISSUE WOULD HAVE TO BE SATISFACTORILY RESOLVED IN THAT MANNER BEFORE THE PREPCON RECONVENES.

I WANT TO AVOID DELAYING ISSUANCE OF YOUR CONSENSUS PROPOSAL. HOWEVER, I DO URGE THAT YOU INCLUDE THE FOREGOING MODIFICATIONS, AS A SATISFACTORY RESOLUTION OF THESE ISSUES IS A PREREQUISITE TO OUR PARTICIPATION IN THE PREPCON. WE HAVE EVIDENCED A GREAT DEAL OF FLEXIBILITY AND HAVE ACCEPTED MOST OF THE DEMANDS OF THE DEVELOPING GROUP. BUT WE HAVE NOW REACHED THE POINT WHERE PRESSURE FOR FURTHER COMPROMISE CAN ONLY THREATEN THE SUCCESS OF THIS IMPORTANT EFFORT. WARM REGARDS. HENRY A. KISSINGER. END QUOTE. KISSINGER

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